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November 29, 2007

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: MB Docket No. 07-29 and MB Docket No. 07-198

Dear FCC Secretary,

Please see the attached letter to Canby Telephone Association, dba Canby Telcom, customers dated November 29, 2007. We wish to file this letter for consideration in the above referenced dockets. We are filing an original and six copies of both this cover letter and our customer letter pursuant to FCC rules.

Sincerely.

Keith G. Galitz

President & General Manager





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Dear Canby Telcom Customer,

In the past two months, we have received inquiries from customers asking whether we will add the NFL Network or Comcast SportsNet Northwest, who will now carry a majority of the Portland Trail Blazers games, to our digital television lineup. I regret to inform you that Canby Telcom will not be able to add these networks and I would like to take this opportunity to provide you with an explanation.

The NFL Network and Comcast SportsNet Northwest will not allow us to place their programming on a separate "sports tier," so that customers who want these channels could subscribe to the tier and offset the cost to receive them. Instead, these programmers would require us to place their channels on our most popular television package – our Essentials package..

The result would be a cost to Canby Telcom of over \$3.00 per subscriber per month. Our current programming costs continue to increase between 8% and 11% year over year. While we did not impose a rate adjustment in 2007, we do have a rate increase planned for 2008 to offset a portion of our normal annual increases. With this in mind, we could not in good conscience pass on an additional \$3.00 per month increase to all customers for these two networks alone.

We regret that the NFL Network and Comcast SportsNet Northwest give us no flexibility in how we can offer their programming and are not willing to negotiate reasonable rates and carriage level requirements. Through our industry associations we have raised the issue of the unfairness of their position. If you would like to voice your opinion on the position these networks have placed on smaller television providers such as Canby Telcom, we encourage you to write your United States Senators and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). I have provided contact information for your local Senators and the FCC below.

Canby Telcom strives to provide the very best in programming and entertainment options. This year we began a major investment program in fiber-to-the-home infrastructure and will continue to invest in this technology over the next few years. Fiber optic technology and other infrastructure upgrades will allow us to offer even higher speed Internet access, high-definition television programming and digital video recording (DVR), along with the superior TV services you have come to expect from Canby Telcom, such as video on demand and caller ID on TV.

Thank you for your continued loyalty to your local customer owned cooperative.

Sincerely,

Keith Galitz

President/General Manager

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